



LIBRARY MEDIA CENTRAL

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The Samuels Mills Sprole School
Public School 32: An Empowerment School

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Dear P.S. 32 Community,

I would like to thank everyone who applied for a library card. We have received over 65 applications so far. The cards should be ready within a few weeks. I will give them to your child's teacher when I receive them. You can still send in an application. Please visit the public library with your child, often. The Carroll Gardens Branch is close by at the corners of Union and Clinton. Also, please check out the *P.S 32 Parent Reading Resources* Wiki page. Here you will find many tools to help you to choose quality literature to motivate your children to read and to build a literate life.

Go to: <http://ps32parentreadingresources.wikispaces.com/>

Click on any of the section headings to the left to find a wealth of valuable information.

What are students doing outside of the library while it is being renovated?

Pre-K: Has been having a lot of fun reading stories, listening to songs about the stories and singing, dancing, and acting them out.

Kindergarten: They too have been reading fun stories, listening to songs about the stories and singing, dancing, and acting them out. **K-4** is our first kindergarten class to take on the role of detectives and investigators as they seek to find out what makes up a library and how it should be set up. We recently went on a trip to investigate the Carroll Gardens branch of the Brooklyn Public Library. The other classes will follow shortly.

First Grade: They have been starting inquiry studies investigating creatures that we see in garden.

Second Grade: Most classes have started inquiry studies investigating soil.

Third grade: Have been working on supporting their geography units and some have been lured into loving Terry Pratchett's Sci-fi trilogy, *Only You Can Save Mankind*. There was a great deal of student interest in joining the Friday Lunchtime Book Club so we have to have three rounds of 10 weeks each. We will start reading Mildred Taylor's, *Song of the Trees* this Friday.

Fourth Grade: They will work on the information literacy skills of note taking, developing higher-order questions, and conducting research while studying the Native Americans of New York.

Fifth Grade: Is starting to work on the information literacy skills of note taking, developing higher-order questions, and conducting research while research the question, "What would life be like if we had to grow our own food?"

The Reading Ambassadors are coming soon!

Thank you,
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